

WE CLAIM:

1. A method for navigating stored content on an electronic device that includes a display and an interface selection device, wherein the stored content is associated with a schedule of a calendar, the method comprising:
 - monitoring the interface selection device;
 - selecting a current operating mode as an appointment view operating mode when a calendar channel is activated;
 - selecting an appointment from the schedule when the appointment view operating mode is activated;
 - selecting a current view that is associated with the selected appointment;
 - updating the display with the current view, wherein the display is partitioned into a header region and a main body region;
 - initiating a next function in response to the interface selection device;and
 - changing the current view to a next view when the next function is initiated and the appointment view operating mode is active.
2. The method of Claim 1, further comprising: initiating a calendar channel splash screen when a calendar channel is activated on the electronic device.
3. The method of Claim 2, wherein the calendar channel splash screen includes a date indicator that changes based on the current date.
4. The method of Claim 2, further comprising: dismissing the channel splash screen after the calendar splash screen is displayed for a predetermined time interval.

5. The method of Claim 2, further comprising: initiating an enter function in response to the interface selection device, and dismissing the channel splash screen in response to the enter function after the calendar splash screen is displayed.

6. The method of Claim 1, wherein selecting an appointment from the schedule when the appointment view operating mode is activated further comprises: selecting a most imminent non-expired appointment from the schedule for the current day, wherein the most imminent non-expired appointment changes over time such that the selection also dynamically changes.

7. The method of Claim 1, wherein the selected appointment view corresponds to a no appointments screen when there are no remaining appointments in the schedule for the current day.

8. The method of Claim 1, further comprising: automatically alternating between different views that are associated with the header region of the display such that the header region periodically changes after a timeout interval expires when the appointment view operating mode is active.

9. The method of Claim 8, wherein the header region includes a representation of at least one of: a current day of the week, a current date of the month, and a current time of the day.

10. The method of Claim 1, further comprising: automatically alternating between different views that are associated with the main body region of the display such that the main body region periodically changes after a timeout interval expires when the appointment view operating mode is active.

11. The method of Claim 10, wherein the main body region includes a representation of at least one of: a current day of the week, a current date of the month,

a current time of the day, a time remaining until the selected appointment, a time duration of the selected appointment, and a summary of the selected appointment.

12. The method of Claim 1, wherein the next view corresponds to another display screen that is associated with the selected appointment when the selected appointment spans more than one display screen.

13. The method of Claim 1, wherein the next view corresponds to a next appointment from the schedule when the current view corresponds to the last view that is associated with the selected appointment.

14. The method of Claim 1, further comprising: initiating a previous function in response to the interface selection device when the appointment view operating mode is active, and changing the current view to a previous view when the previous function is initiated and the appointment view operating mode is active.

15. The method of Claim 14, wherein the previous view corresponds to another display screen that is associated with the selected appointment when the selected appointment spans more than one display screen and the current view is not the first view that is associated with the selected appointment.

16. The method of Claim 14, wherein the previous view corresponds to a previous appointment from the schedule when the current view corresponds to the first view that is associated with the selected appointment.

17. The method of Claim 1, further comprising: activating a day browser in response to the interface selection device when the appointment view operating mode is active, wherein the day browser includes an indicator of a date that is associated with the selected appointment on the display, wherein a currently selected day can be changed with the interface selection device while the day browser is active.

18. The method of Claim 17, wherein the indicator of the date from the day browser corresponds to a screen overlay that includes the current date in a textual representation.

19. The method of Claim 1, further comprising: activating a selection list in response to the interface selection device when the appointment view operating mode is active, wherein the selection list is organized as a list of items that are associated with an appointment in the schedule for a selected day, and wherein the interface selection device is configured for selecting one of the items in the list.

20. The method of Claim 19, wherein the selection list includes a header section and a main body section, wherein the header section indicates the selected day, wherein the main body section includes a time sorted list of the appointments that are associated with the schedule for the selected day, and wherein the selected item from the list is indicated by a visual cue.

21. The method of Claim 19, wherein the selection list includes items that span more than one display screen, and wherein a bottom region of the display screen includes an indicator that indicates an end of the list.

22. The method of Claim 19, wherein the selection list includes items that span more than one display screen, and wherein a top region of the display screen includes an indicator that indicates a beginning of the list.

23. The method of Claim 1, further comprising: activating a mode select function in response to the interface selection device when the appointment view operating mode is active, displaying a mode-splash screen on the display when the mode select function is active, wherein the mode-splash screen indicates the selected operating mode, and changing the selected operating mode with the interface selection device when the mode select function is active.

24. The method of Claim 23, wherein the mode select function is deactivated in response to at least one of: activation of a selector on the interface selection device, and expiration of a timeout condition without the activation of the selector on the selection interface device.

25. The method of Claim 23, wherein the selected operating mode corresponds to at least one of: the appointment view operating mode, an event view operating mode, and a month view operating mode.

26. The method of Claim 1, further comprising:
selecting the current operating mode as an event view operating mode when a mode select function is activated in the calendar channel;
selecting an event from the schedule when the event view operating mode is activated; and
selecting the current view that is associated with the selected event;

27. The method of Claim 26, further comprising: changing the selected event to a next event when the next function is initiated and the event view operating mode is active.

28. The method of Claim 1, further comprising:
selecting the current operating mode as a month view operating mode in response to the interface selection device when a mode select function is activated in the calendar channel;
selecting a month that is associated with the calendar when the month view operating mode is activated; and
selecting the current view that is associated with the selected month.

29. The method of Claim 28, further comprising: changing the selected month to a next month when the next function is initiated and the month view operating mode is active.

30. An apparatus for navigating stored content that is associated with a schedule of a calendar, the apparatus comprising:

- a display;
- a user interface that includes a selector;
- a means for monitoring the user interface;
- a means for selecting a calendar channel;
- a means for mapping a context of the user interface to another context that is associated with a selected operating mode;
- a means for selecting a current operating mode as an appointment view operating mode when a calendar channel is activated;
- a means for selecting an appointment from the schedule when the appointment view operating mode is selected;
- a means for selecting a current view that is associated with the selected appointment;
- a means for updating the display with the current view; and
- a means for changing the current view to a next view when a next function is initiated and the appointment view operating mode is active.

31. The apparatus of Claim 30, wherein the means for selecting the appointment from the schedule when the appointment view operating mode is activated further comprises: a means for selecting a most imminent non-expired appointment from the schedule for the current day.

32. The apparatus of Claim 30, wherein the selected appointment view corresponds to a no appointments screen when there are no remaining appointments in the schedule for the current day.

33. The apparatus of Claim 30, further comprising: a means for automatically alternating between different views when the apparatus is parked for a predetermined timer interval.

34. The apparatus of Claim 33, wherein each different view includes a different header region that periodically changes after another timeout interval expires.

35. The apparatus of Claim 33, wherein each different view includes a different main body region that periodically changes after another timeout interval expires.

36. The apparatus of Claim 30, further comprising:
a means for selecting the current operating mode as an event view operating mode when a mode select function is activated in the calendar channel;
a means for selecting an event from the schedule when the event view operating mode is activated; and
a means for selecting the current view that is associated with the selected event.

37. The apparatus of Claim 30, further comprising:
a means for selecting the current operating mode as a month view operating mode in response to the interface selection device when a mode select function is activated in the calendar channel;
a means for selecting a month that is associated with the calendar when the month view operating mode is activated; and
a means for selecting the current view that is associated with the selected month.

38. An apparatus as in Claim 30, further comprising: a means for customizing that is arranged to customize the schedule of the calendar.

39. An apparatus as in Claim 30, further comprising: a means for synchronizing that is arranged to synchronize the schedule of the calendar with an application program.

40. An apparatus for navigating stored content that is associated with a schedule of a calendar, the apparatus comprising:

- a display;
- a user interface that includes a selector; and
- an electronic system that is arranged to interact with the user interface and the display, wherein the electronic system is configured to:
 - select a current operating mode when a calendar channel is activated;
 - change the current operating mode in response to the user interface when a mode-splash screen is active on the display;
 - select a record from the schedule that is associated with the current operating mode;
 - select a current view that is associated with the selected record;
 - change the current view to another view that is associated with the selected record when the apparatus is parked for a predetermined time interval;
 - update the display with the current view;
 - initiate a next function in response to the selector; and
 - change the current view to a next view when the next function is initiated, wherein the current view is associated with at least one of: the selected record, and another record from the schedule that is associated with the current operating mode.